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VIA REGULAR MAIL

Vern O. Strubeck, D.O.
7632 W Starry Night Lane
Tucson, AZ 85743

RE: Letter of Concern and Non-Disciplinary Order of Continuing Medical Education, Case No. 3357

Dear Dr. Strubeck,

At their meeting on June 24, 2006, the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery ("Board") conducted an investigative hearing on the above-referenced complaint. Based on the information presented, the Board found there was insufficient evidence to conclude that your conduct constituted unprofessional conduct or to support direct action against your license. However, the Board voted to issue you this advisory LETTER OF CONCERN pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. 32-1855 (D) (2). The Board was concerned that continued practice in the same methodology and manner could ultimately lead to a violation of A.R.S. §§ 32-1854 (6) (38) which state:

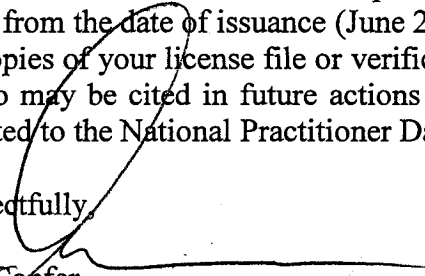
"Engaging in the practice of medicine in a manner that harms or may harm a patient or that the board determines falls below the community standard."

"Any conduct or practice that impairs the licensee's ability to safely practice medicine or that may reasonably be expected to do so."

In addition, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1855 (D) (3), the Board mandated completion of twenty (20) hours of continuing medical education in the area of general medical practice within six (6) months of the date of this letter. Please be advised that this CME shall be in addition to that normally required and shall be approved by the Executive Director prior to completion.

A Letter of Concern is a non-disciplinary action that remains part of the public record of your license for five years from the date of issuance (June 24, 2006). During those years it will be provided in response to requests for copies of your license file or verifications of license status, including being posted on the Board's website. It also may be cited in future actions against your license. Because it is not a disciplinary action, it is not reported to the National Practitioner Data Base or Health Care Integrity and Protection Databank.

Respectfully,


Jack Confer
Executive Director

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